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Title: PROCESSING SYSTEM AND METHOD INCLUDING A
DEDICATED COLLECTIVE OFFLOAD ENGINE PROVIDING
COLLECTIVE PROCESSING IN A DISTRIBUTED
COMPUTING ENVIRONMENT

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Response to Office Action

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed responsive to the Office Action mailed November 17, 2008, in connection with the above-designated U.S. patent application. *To facilitate prosecution of this application, applicants' undersigned representative requests an interview with the Examiner at the time the Examiner is considering this response.* Reconsideration and allowance of the claims presented are respectfully requested in view of the Amendments and Remarks below.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.